

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1 1. (Currently Amended) A system for automated dissemination of software
2 to an information handling system, comprising:
3 a distribution server operable to receive a software file;
4 a repack and script regeneration server operably connected to said distribution
5 server, said repack and script regeneration server operable to disassemble
6 said software file and repack said software file with scripts for
7 automatically controlling the transfer of said software file;
8 a script validation server operably coupled to said repack and script regeneration
9 server and said distribution server, said script validation server operable to
10 generate commands to automatically control the downloading of software
11 images of said software file to a target information handling system;
12 a compliance server operably connected to said distribution server, said
13 compliance server being operable to perform compliance verification to
14 confirm that said software file complies with a predetermined set of
15 software rules;
16 and
17 a download server operable to transfer said software file to a target information
18 handling system after verifying that said software file complies with a
19 predetermined set of software rules.

1 2. (Cancelled)

1 3. (Currently Amended) The system of claim [[2]] 1, wherein said
2 compliance server is operable to automatically generate a non-compliance notice message
3 upon detection that said software file does not comply with said predetermined set of
4 rules.

1 4. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein said distribution server is
2 operable to scan said software file for viruses.

1 5. (Original) The system of claim 1, further comprising a test control
2 server operable to confirm the download of said software file to said target information
3 handling system and to verify proper operation of said software file on said target
4 information handling system.

1 6. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein said
2 distribution server is operable to notify a manager regarding the status of said software
3 file within a software distribution system.

1 7. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, further comprising
2 an archive server, wherein said repack and script regeneration server is operable to
3 transfer copies of said software file to said archive server for storage thereon.

1 8. (Currently Amended) A method for automated dissemination of software
2 to an information handling system, comprising:
3 receiving a software file;
4 disassembling said software file and repackaging said software file with scripts
5 for automatically controlling the transfer of said software file;
6 generating commands to control the automatic downloading of software images of
7 said software file to a target information handling system;
8 using a compliance server to perform compliance verification to confirm that said
9 software file complies with a predetermined set of software rules;
10 and
11 transferring said software file to a target information handling system after
12 verifying that said software file complies with a predetermined set of
13 software rules.

1 9. (Cancelled)

1 10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[9]] 8, further comprising the
2 step of generating a non-compliance notice message upon detection that said software file
3 does not comply with said predetermined set of rules.

1 11. (Original) The method of claim 8, further comprising the step of
2 scanning said software file for viruses.

1 12. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 8, further comprising
2 the steps of confirming the download of said software file to said target information
3 handling system and confirming proper operation of said software file on said target
4 information handling system.

1 13. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 8, further comprising
2 the step of notifying a manager regarding the status of said software file within a software
3 distribution system.

1 14. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 8, further comprising
2 the step of transferring copies of said software file to an archive server for storage
3 thereon.

1 15. (Currently Amended) An information handling system, comprising:
2 a data processor; and
3 a data storage having a software file stored thereon, said software file being
4 transferred to said data storage by an automated software dissemination system
5 comprising:
6 a distribution server operable to receive a software file;
7 a repack and script regeneration server operably connected to said
8 distribution server, said repack and script regeneration server
9 operable to disassemble said software file and repack said
10 software file with scripts for automatically controlling the transfer
11 of said software file;

12 a script validation server operably coupled to said repack and script
13 regeneration server and said distribution server, said script
14 validation server operable to generate commands to automatically
15 control the downloading of software images of said software file to
16 said information handling system;
17 a compliance server operably connected to said distribution server, said
18 compliance server being operable to perform compliance
19 verification to confirm that said software file complies with a
20 predetermined set of software rules;
21 and
22 a download server operable to transfer said software file to said
23 information handling system after verifying that said software file
24 complies with a predetermined set of software rules.

1 16. (Cancelled)

1 17. (Currently Amended) The system of claim [[16]] 15, wherein said
2 compliance server is operable to automatically generate a non-compliance notice message
3 upon detection that said software file does not comply with said predetermined set of
4 rules.

1 18. (Original) The system of claim 15, wherein said distribution server is
2 operable to scan said software file for viruses.

1 19. (Original) The system of claim 15, further comprising a test control
2 server operable to confirm the download of said software file to said information
3 handling system and to verify proper operation of said software file on said target
4 information handling system.

1 20. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 15, wherein said
2 distribution server is operable to notify a manager regarding the status of said software file
3 within a software distribution system.